

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS:

Please replace the paragraphs starting on page 1, line 5 through page 3, line 2 with the following amended paragraphs:

--The present invention relates to an illuminating decoration for a skateboard, and more particularly to an illuminating decoration that is mounted at two lateral sides of a skateboard to provide even brightness, and is impact-resistant, moisture-proof and dustproof.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Skateboarding has become one of many popular leisure activities among young people in recent years. There are various commercially available skateboards showing changeable styles for consumers' choice. Although the conventional skateboards are provided with various kinds of designs, patterns or shapes, they do not include any illuminating device. It is therefore dangerous to play with the conventional skateboards in the nighttime. In an attempt to overcome this problem, there is developed a skateboard with an illuminating device.

Fig. 1 is a bottom perspective view of a conventional skateboard 1 provided with an illuminating device. The illuminating device includes a light-conducting tube 11, along which a plurality of through holes 12 is drilled at intervals of a predetermined short distance. The light-conducting tube 11 is attached to a

peripheral edge of the skateboard 1 by means of fixing screws 121 separately extended through the holes 12. A plurality of lamp bulbs 13 is located in the light-conducting tube 11. Metal plates 131 are attached to the light-conducting tube 11 to separately shield the lamp bulbs 13. A control box 14 is provided at an underside of the skateboard 1 for controlling an on/off operation of the lamp bulbs 13. When the lamp bulbs 13 are turned on via the control box 14, light produced by the lamp bulbs 13 and radiated on areas surrounding the holes 12 is reflected and refracted at the holes 12 to form a plurality of light spots, which illuminate the peripheral edge of the skateboard 1. However, it is found on the skateboard 1 provided with the above-described illuminating device that holes 12 closer to the lamp bulbs 13 are brighter, while other holes 12 relatively distant from the lamp bulbs 13 are less bright or even completely dark due to insufficient light radiated thereto. That is, the whole light-conducting tube 11 shows uneven brightness at different areas.--

Please replace the paragraph on page 4, lines 16 through 18, with the following amended paragraph:

--It is therefore tried by the inventor to develop an improved illuminating decoration for a skateboard to overcome the drawbacks existed in the prior art.--

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 6 and 7 with the following amended paragraph:

--Please refer to Figs. 2 and 3 that are exploded and assembled bottom perspective views, respectively, of an illuminating decoration for skateboard according to the present invention. As shown, a skateboard 2 is provided along a peripheral edge with a continuously extended recess 21. Two illuminating tubes 22 are fitted in portions of the recess (groove) 21 located at two lateral sides of the skateboard 2 by means of bonding agent. Each of the two illuminating tubes 22 includes a flexible transparent tube 221 and a plurality of light-emitting elements 222 disposed in the tube 221, as can be clearly seen from Figs. 3A. The light-emitting elements 222 are electrically connected to one another via conductors 223. An end of each conductor 223 is electrically connected to a control box 23 provided at an underside of the skateboard 2, so that the light-emitting elements 222 may be turned on or off via control of a push button 231 on the control box 23. Moreover, the control box 23 may be so designed that the push button 231 may be pushed by different times for the light-emitting elements 222 to produce light in the illuminating tube 22 in different manners.--